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Sir:

RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION DATED JANUARY 21, 2010 AND REOUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION

This paper is responsive to the Final Office Action dated January 21, 2010, for which a shortened statutory period for reply is set to expire on April 21, 2010. This response serves as the "submission" accompanying an RCE. Favorable consideration is respectfully requested in view of the following Amendments and Remarks. Though it is believed that the appropriate fees are submitted with this transmittal, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 09-0461.